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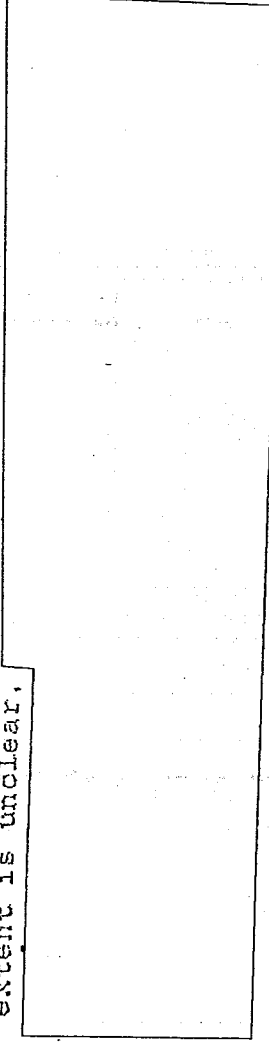
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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

The Situation in Amman
(Information as of 1530 EDT)

1. 1700 Amman time (1100 EDT), [redacted] as of
apart." Fedayeen--apparently acting as individuals--
were said to be breaking into houses, raping American
can women, taking them hostage, and looting; the full
extent of these incidents is not known. (A later
report said two American women had been raped.) The
embassy has made the "strongest possible representa-
tions" to the palace. US families are trying to take
shelter in the Egyptian, French, and Italian em-
bassies. The Jordanian Army apparently does not
feel that it can spare any forces to assist in the
movement of foreign nationals from various parts of
Amman to the airport, which is said to be still un-
der army control.

2. Clashes are continuing in Amman, but their
extent is unclear.



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4. With the King's ability to control the fedayeen waning, chances are increasing that the regular forces of Syria (a battalion-sized artillery unit) and Iraq (probably more than 20,000 men stationed in Jordan will intervene.

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7. Israel will be watching closely for any sign of Syrian or Iraqi intervention and can be expected to attack any major intervention force. If there should be a clear indication that a radically oriented regime was about to take over in Jordan, the possibility

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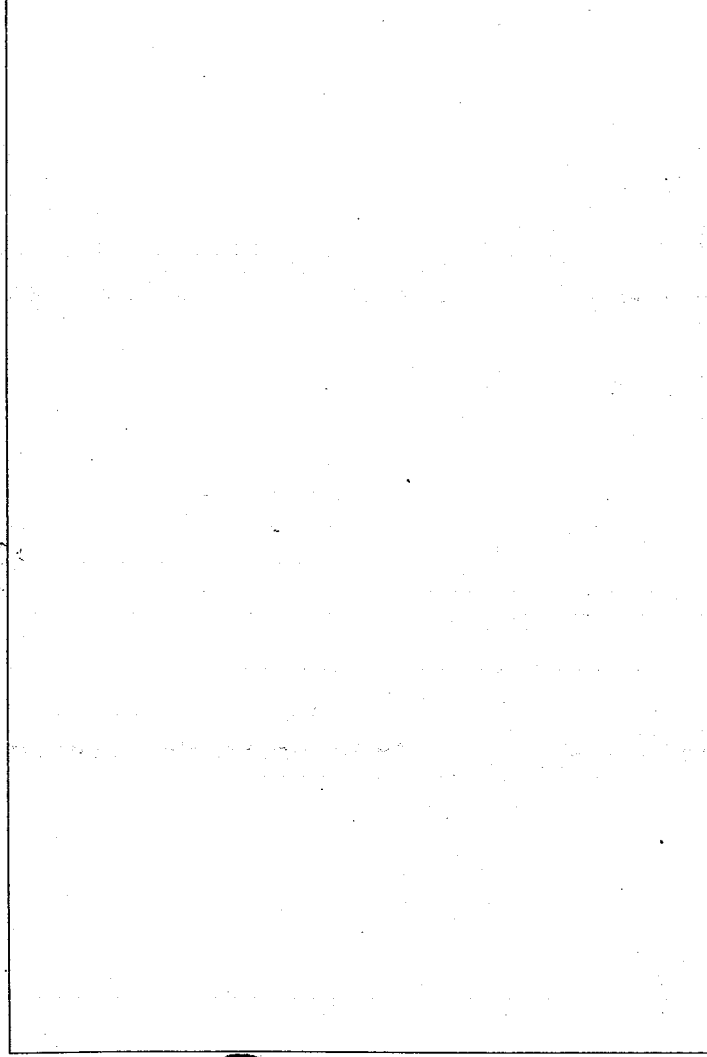
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of the Israelis' moving in their own forces would be high. As long as Husayn is retained, or if a moderate fedayeen group or the army were to take over, the Israelis probably would not move.



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10. No indications of unusual Soviet military activities in the Mediterranean have been noted thus far.

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